

EQIP 2003: Fayette County Local Ranking Worksheet (Updated 6/12/03)

Producer: Farm # Tract # Date

Livestock Resource Concern

Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)

-	10 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	5 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	1 point	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

-	5 points	Land on the offered tract(s) will be converted to a prescribed grazing plan.
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-	5 points	An animal waste management plan will be developed on the offered acreage.
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Total Points

Local Ranking for Livestock

-	HIGH – 15 points or greater, MEDIUM – 6 – 14 points, LOW - <6 points
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Water Quality Resource Concern

Distance from Stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)

-	10 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	5 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	1 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

Proximity to Water Well – working or abandoned

-	10 points	Contract acreage 0-100' from working or abandoned water well
-	5 points	Contract acreage 100-500' from working or abandoned water well
-	1 point	Contract acreage >500' from working or abandoned water well

“Core” Conservation Practices

-	5 points	Producer plans to implement at least one “core” conservation practice that s/he is not currently using. These include: conservation tillage, nutrient management, pest management, buffers, timber stand improvement, livestock exclusion, forest management plan, prescribed grazing plan, waste utilization, nutrient management, and manure storage.
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Total Points

Local ranking for Water Quality

-	HIGH – 15 points or greater, MEDIUM – 7-14 points, LOW - <7 points
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Soil Erosion Resource Concern

Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)

-	10 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	5 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	1 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

Critical soil slope

-	10 points	1/3 or greater of the treatment area soils are classified as HEL in the FOTG
-	5 points	1/3 or greater of the soils in the treatment area are classified as PHEL in the FOTG (the combination of PHEL and HEL acres can equal 1/3 or greater of the total acreage as well)
-	1 points	Soils of the treatment area are classified as NHEL in the FOTG, or less than 1/3 meet PHEL or HEL criteria in the FOTG

-	5 points	Landowner plans to implement a practice that will reduce erosion from 1-1/2 T to T, as determined by using RUSLE and generic slopes in the FOTG, or actual slopes if documented in case file
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Total Points

Local Ranking for Erosion

-	HIGH – 15 points or greater, MEDIUM – 7-14 points, LOW - <7 points
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Forest Health Resource Concern**Distance from stream (blue line or dashed blue line on topo)**

-	5 points	Treatment area 0-180' from stream
-	3 points	Treatment area 180'-500' from stream
-	1 points	Treatment area greater than 500' from stream

“Core” Forestry Practices – award points for each item that applies

-	5 points	Livestock will be excluded from wooded areas where they currently graze.
-	5 points	Timber stand improvement will be implemented on the offered tract.

Proximity to existing forest

-	5 points	Offered acreage and an existing forest (not necessarily owned by same landowner) are contiguous (if a fence is between the two, they will still be considered contiguous)
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Grazed Forest

-	Forest is being grazed and landowner is not willing to change (Automatic Low for resource concern)
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Local ranking for Forest Health

-	HIGH – 10 points or greater, MEDIUM – 5-10 points, LOW - <5 points
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